



U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region 5 - Air and Radiation Division

Air Enforcement Tracking System Complaint Form



Citizens ID Code: 7838

Source of Complaint:

<input type="radio"/> In Person	<input type="radio"/> Fax	<input type="radio"/> Other
<input type="radio"/> Internet	<input type="radio"/> Phone	<input type="radio"/> State
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Internet - OECA	<input type="radio"/> Mail	<input type="radio"/> Other Program Office

Type of Complaint:

<input type="checkbox"/> Asbestos Demo/Reno
<input type="checkbox"/> CFC
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Odor
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other

Date Complaint Received: 08/18/2016

Date/Time Record Created: 08/30/2016 01:17:56 PM

Person Entering Complaint: Anna Wagner

Assigned To: Sara Loiacono,

Date Assigned:

Date Response Due:

Date Response Completed:

Complainant's Information:

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

ZipCode:

E-mail Address:

Home Phone Number:

Work Phone Number:

Alleged Violator's Information:

Company/Individual's Name: REAL ALLOY FKA IMCO RECYCLING OF ILLINOIS, INC.

Contact Person

Street Address: 400 EAST LINCOLN HIGHWAY

City: CHICAGO HEIGHTS

State: IL

Zip Code 60411

Phone Number:

From: howard.donna@epa.gov [mailto:howard.donna@epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, August 18, 2016 12:32 PM
To: Wagner, Anna <wagner.anna@epa.gov>
Cc: Smith, Molly <Smith.Molly@epa.gov>
Subject: FWD: (CAA - FY16-146083-3714-CV) Referred to Region - Illinois

08/18/2016

SUBJECT: FWD: (CAA - FY16-146083-3714-CV) Referred to Region - Illinois
FROM: howard.donna@epa.gov
TO: Wagner.Anna@epa.gov
CC: Smith.Molly@epa.gov

-----Original Message-----

8/2/2016 1:03 PM

HQ LEAD NUMBER: FY16-146083-3714-CV
SUBJECT: Referred to Region - Illinois
FROM: **non-responsive**

TO:

Name: **non-responsive**

Address: **non-responsive**

City: **non-responsive**

State: **non-responsive**

Zip: **non-responsive**

Phone: **non-responsive**

Alleged Violator's Name: Aleris

Alleged Violator's Address: 400 E Lincoln Hwy

Alleged Violator's City: Chicago Heights

Alleged Violator's State: Illinois

Alleged Violator's Zip: 60411

Tip or Complaint: A fog of what appears to be a gas can be seen when passing this building at times. Gaseous fumes can be detected when passing this facility - when fog is present and when it is not. It smells quite toxic and is cause for alarm.

Specific Directions: Typically I smell/see the fumes while driving westbound on Route 30 on my way to work - typically around 0615 in the morning although I have witnessed it during the evening commute as well, at approximately 1615.

Violation Still Occurring? Yes

State DEP/DEQ/DEM Notified? No

Type of Response:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Compliance Inspection Conducted | <input type="checkbox"/> Referred to Other Federal Agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> E-mail | <input type="checkbox"/> Referred to Other State Agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> On-site Visit (Not an Inspection) | <input type="checkbox"/> Referred to State Environmental Agency |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (such as Local Government) | <input type="checkbox"/> Warning Letter |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phone or Letter Response | |

Comments:

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Sara Loiacono: I followed-up with the citizen on 8/26/16 regarding his complaint, and he stated that he regularly sees a street-level haze or plume when driving past the facility. He said he also sometimes notices an odor in the area, which he described as an acidic or bitter smell. He compared it to the smell of batteries. He said that the odor is not associated with any particular type of weather conditions, but that he typically smells it once a week or a few times per month when he drives past the facility for work.

On 8/29/16 I forwarded this information to Scott Connolly and Dakota Prentice since they inspected the facility in November 2015 and may be following up with the facility.